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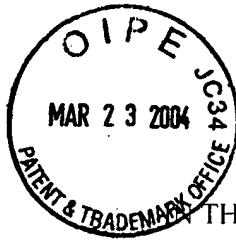
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ENCODING THE PROTEIN

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is in complete response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2003 (*i.e.*, Paper No. 16). A Petition requesting a three-month extension of time and a corresponding fee accompany this response which is being filed on or before its now current due date of March 23, 2004. Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.



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Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$950.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Petition for Extension of Time \$950.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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